

Transgender Equity Council Minutes

Regular Meeting

January 09, 2020 - 05:00 PM

Pillsbury Community Theatre 2nd Floor Meeting Room, 3501 Chicago Ave South, Minneapolis

Members : Hunta Williams (co-chair), shor salkas (co-chair), Alma Miklasevics, Emma Grey, Ray Lockman, Destiny Xiong, Grant Berg, Commarraah Bashar

Members Absent: Janet Nguyen, Michael Rossman, Ian McGriff, Chase Hermes Bakken

Others Present: April Lewer (community member), Melissa Lund (interpreter), Tracy V (interpreter), Ché (community member from MN Trans Health Coalition), Carrie (Park Board presenter)

Staff : Track Trachtenberg

Call To Order - 5:03 PM

1. Roll Call and Check-In
2. Adoption of the agenda – Alma motioned, Ray seconded
3. Acceptance of minutes of Dec 12, 2019 – Emma motioned, Alma seconded

Unfinished Business

4. Next Steps from Last Meeting
 1. Community Connections Conference
 - i. Does anyone else want to table? Connect to Track
 1. *Track – send confirmation emails*
 2. Civil Rights Outreach Next Steps
 - i. Have brochures, etc for community outreach
 - ii. Working on correcting gender options on their paperwork
 - iii. TEC staffer presenting to Minneapolis Commission on Civil Rights February
 3. Trans Equity Project Coordinator Hiring Process/Transition Documents
 - i. Anything that needs to be highlighted in/added to transition documents?
 - ii. Connect with Joy ASAP to be on interview panel – joy.stephens@minneapolismn.gov
 - iii. Track will remain in part-time role until new role starts (mid February?)

Discussion

5. Hate Crimes Data
 - a. MN statistics said zero gender identity-based hate crimes reported to FBI for past 5 years (other than 2019, said one reported) - yet all other protected classes have many reported, and Ryan knows there are police reports about GI-based hate crimes
 - i. Either MPD isn't conveying something or it's getting lost along the way
 - b. Does TEC want to discuss this with Police Conduct Oversight Commission, which can do more research into what's going on?
 - c. Catherine, Emma, April, Grant, and Commarraah are interested
 - i. *TRACK – follow up with Ryan Patrick and get meeting time, etc.*

6. #WeAreMpls Campaign (City of Mpls Communications)
 - a. If interested in submitting a brief bio and being featured, contact Track (it is not a paid opportunity)
7. History Theatre Outreach - *postponed to next meeting/PACE meeting*
 - a. Freya (former TEC chair) stars in their Feb show about the trans deputy mayor of St Paul – we have the option to leave materials out, table opening night Feb 8th, and see it for free (their ASL-interpreted night is the 23rd, sure we could get tix for that instead/in addition if wanted). Who is interested?
8. Trans Issues Work Group Updates - *postponed to next meeting*
 - a. Worked on job description for Trans Equity staff role
 - b. Anti-wage theft/anti-trafficking campaign throughout January
9. Subcommittee Updates - *postponed to next meeting*
 1. PACE
 2. Training
 3. Bylaws/Guidelines

Presentation

10. Parks for All - *postponed to next meeting*

Adjournment - 6:05 PM due to medical emergency; Destiny motioned, Alma seconded

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Next Transgender Equity Council meeting Date: Feb 13, 2020

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